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## **GREGG ANNOUNCES \$120,000 TO NEWPORT TO UPGRADE SEWER SYSTEM**

WASHINGTON -- U.S. Senator Judd Gregg (R-NH) today announced that the U.S. Department of Agriculture has awarded the Town of Newport a \$120,000 federal grant for significant, pro-active upgrades to the Town's sewer system. Newport will tear down the pumping station at Park View Avenue, which utilizes outdated technology and is more than thirty years old, and construct a more energy-efficient sewer from the current station across the Sugar River to an existing sewer manhole. Newport has also secured a loan from USDA for an additional \$120,000 toward the upgrades.

Senator Gregg stated, "It is important that local communities address future infrastructure problems supporting critical town services before the services must be suspended for repairs or replacement. Since these funds have now been awarded, Newport will be able to work at its own schedule to ensure its sewers will be cost-efficient and serve its residents without interruption."

Newport Town Manager Dan O'Neil stated, "Infrastructure improvement costs for municipalities are extremely expensive. The assistance we receive from the federal government helps us address critical health and safety issues much more expeditiously than if we had to rely solely on the Town's residents."

For more information, contact Larry Wiggins, Public Works Director in Newport at (603) 863-3650.

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